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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE IN SUPPORT OF U.S.CANDIDACY FOR IMO

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Following up on post,s September 30 diplomatic note containing reftel request for support for the U.S. IMO candidacy, post spoke with Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation Deputy Director General for Multilateral Economic Relations and for Air, Sea and Land Juan Luis Munoz de Laborde on October 16. Munoz de Laborde indicated that, while he understands that we do not support candidacies on a reciprocal basis, he believes the United States, role in the IMO is of the utmost importance.

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